

Watershed Committee (WC) Meeting
September 16, 2009
Meeting Notes and Next Steps

Attendance: Kris Dighe, Steve Cardon, Jim Ingle, Julie Palakovich Carr, WC members; Eileen Schemp, Eric Rager, potential WC members; Audra Lew, staff liaison.

Environment Commission Updates:

- ❑ Report out from EC retreat by S. Cardon
Retreat notes available on request
- ❑ Report out from last week's EC meeting: (S. Cardon)
 - Reviewed goals of last year
 - Special events speaker: Mike Coppersmith
 - Deer Policy Speaker: Steve Mader

Discussion Topics

- Ideas on where to distribute pending Watersheds brochure: schools, b-day packets at CCNC
- We engaged in a bit more road salt discussion and formulated questions for Jason Bible (see Next Steps)

Next Steps:

AL to:

- ❑ Contact [Rocio Estrada](#), [Orlando Heyliger](#) and [Hjarman Cordero](#) introducing full Commission for outreach purposes. A single contact person from the EC should be identified.
- ❑ Contact S.Mader introducing WC and asking about
 - 1) Herbicide, pesticide, and fertilizer application rates
 - 2) Dog waste disposal stations/trash bag dispenser + signs OR signs alone at existing trash cans
- ❑ Jonathan Pierson: when will new contracts be bid to replace the 08-08 contractors?
- ❑ Lise Soukup: Ask when WC will see the submittals for Cabin John Watershed study.
- ❑ Explore: Does Rockville have any livestock or horse farms?
- ❑ Explore: utilizing persons required to complete service hours due to violation of some sort to remove invasives
- ❑ Resend latest web update info to KD for presentation to full EC
- ❑ Contact Jason Bible re: winter salt use policy:
 - Determine if City has existing Salt Policy
 - What are the City's application rates and how are they determined?
 - Does City use wet application?
 - Explore alternatives
 - Eileen suggested she had recently heard of nearby municipality utilizing a substance other than NaCl. Let's keep this on our radar and do some literature review.

- Utilize SOS monitoring and IDDE walks to take baseline salt readings and spot read after salt applications (with or without snow/ice event)
- Full WC to discuss joint meetings with other committees or full Commission